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"Righting the Ship"

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## Where We Are

An overview of several economic indicators





### Current State of the US Economy

- Debt: \$14.2 trillion
- ❖ Deficit: \$642 billion in first five months of FY '11
- \* Record one month deficit: **\$223 billion** (February 2011)
- ❖ National Unemployment: 8.9% in February of 2011
- ❖ Texas Unemployment: 8.0% in December of 2010







# Where We are Going

Consequences of the President's agenda



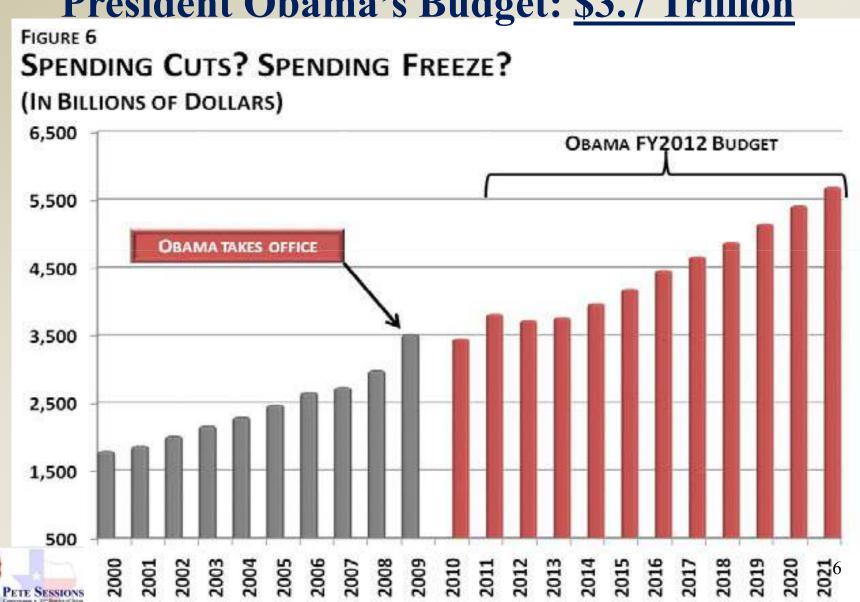


- **❖** By 2021 the **debt is estimated to reach \$26.4 trillion** 
  - Equal to a ten year increase of \$12.2 trillion or an 86% increase.
- The amount of <u>new debt</u> proposed by President Obama's FY '12 budget is greater than the total amount of debt accumulated by the federal government from 1789 until 2008.
- The President's Budget represents a 28% spending increase since 2008.
- Calls for a \$1.6 trillion tax increase
  - Including \$919 billion income tax increase
  - ❖ The tax burden will increase from 14.4% of GDP in 2011 to 20.0% of GDP in 2021.





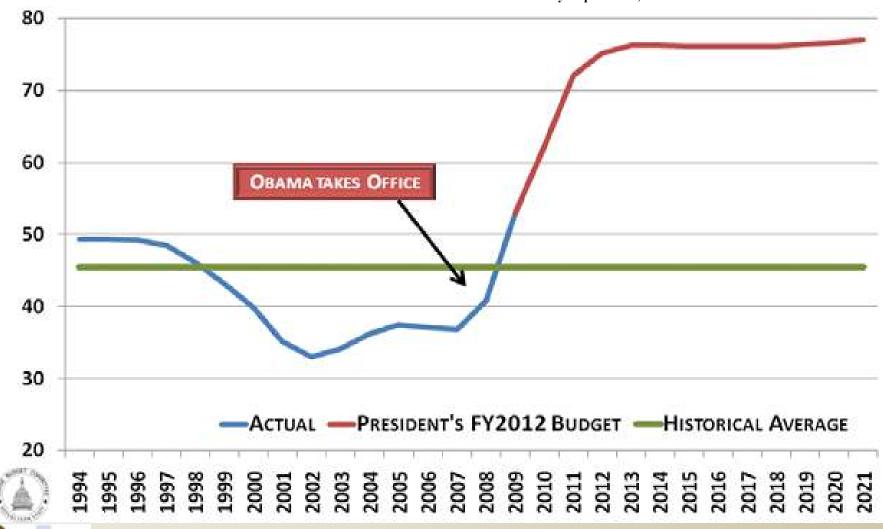
President Obama's Budget: \$3.7 Trillion





# **Current Debt:** \$14,174,622,537,035

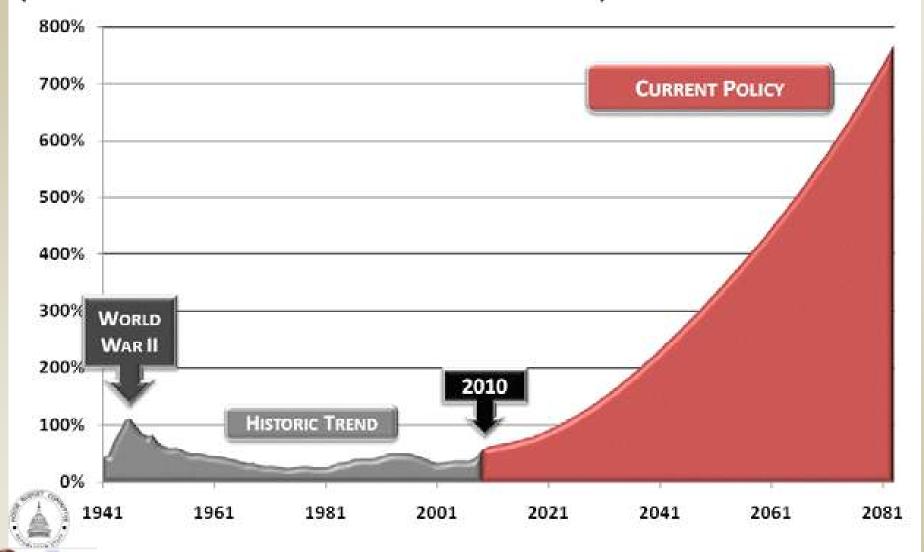
Source: Treasury Department; 02/22/2011





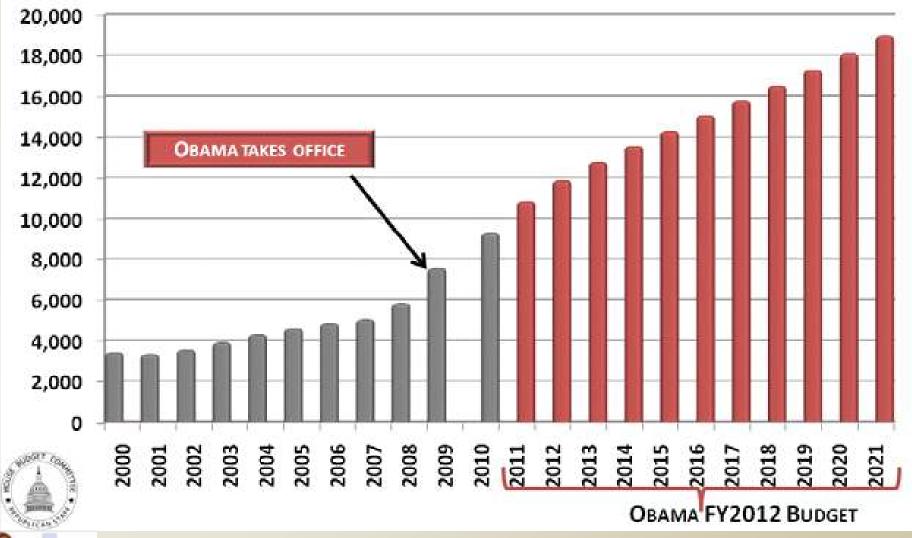
THE PATH AHEAD: TIDAL WAVE OF DEBT (DEBT HELD BY PUBLIC AS PERCENTAGE OF GDP)

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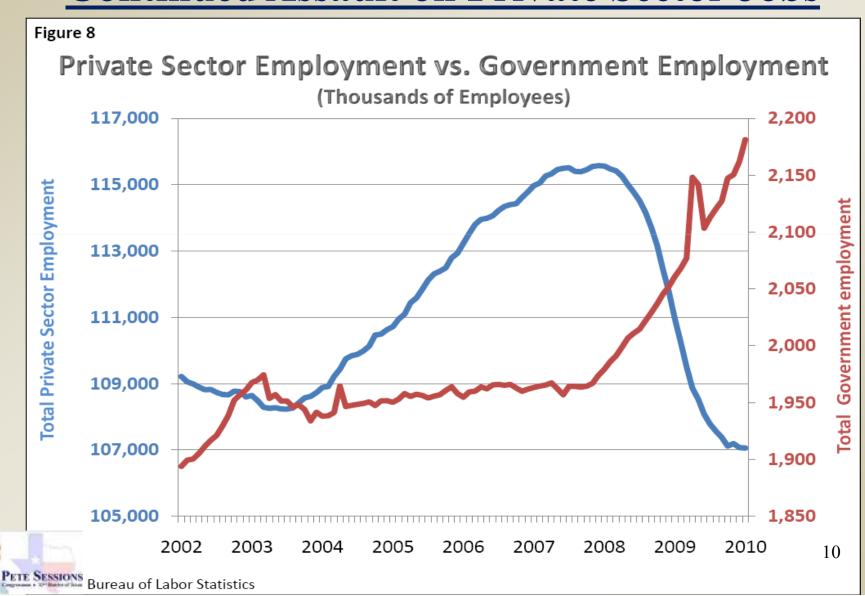
DOUBLES THEN TRIPLES THE DEBT

(DEBT HELD BY PUBLIC IN BILLIONS OF DOLLARS)





#### **Continued Assault on Private Sector Jobs**



# CBO Director confirms: Democrat Takeover of Health Care Loses Jobs

CBO Director Doug Elmendorf's own words:

#### Congressman John Campbell (R-CA):

"...in your estimate, the health care law would reduce the labor used in the economy by about 1/2 of 1 percent...is that correct?"

#### **CBO Director Elmendorf:**

"**Yes**. The way I would put it is that we do estimate, as you said, that household employment will be about 160 million by the end of the decade. Half a percent of that is **800,000**"







# Sessions' Solutions

A renewed focus on job creation, economic expansion, and fiscal responsibility





# Reduce the Deficit

- \* \$1.4 trillion repeal of Obamacare
- \$61 billion worth of reductions during the recent Continuing Resolution
  - Subsequent CRs with spending reductions of \$6 billion and \$4 billion
- \* \$8 billion rescinded from FHA Refinance Program
- \* \$1 billion termination of Neighborhood Stabilization Program
- \* \$840 million rescinded from Emergency Homeowner Relief
- \* \$29 billion termination of HAMP (next week)





## Empower the Free-Enterprise System

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- A bill I authored which directs the House committees to examine new and existing federal regulations and how they impact jobs and the economy.
  - Average of 4,000 new regulations each year
  - ❖SBA states that regulations cost \$1.75 trillion annually
  - Regulations disproportionately impact small businesses





## Tax Reform

#### + H.R. 934 (Sessions – Sponsor)

I have introduced legislation that would create a flat 18% corporate tax rate

#### \* H.R. 158 EXPENSE ACT (Sessions – Sponsor)

- Businesses set their own depreciation schedule
- Allow businesses to reinvest their capital

#### + H.R. 99 (Dreier – Sponsor)

- ❖ I have co-sponsored Congressman David Dreier's Fair and Simple Tax Act of 2011
  - ❖ Tax Brackets of 10, 15 and 30%
  - ❖ Repeal estate tax
  - Permanently fix AMT
  - ❖ Capital Gains tax of 10%





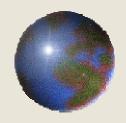
# 112th Legislation

- Health Care Safety Net Enhancement Act (HR 157)
  - Provides appropriate protections from damaging litigation for physicians working in Emergency Rooms
- ❖TBI Treatment Act (HR 159)
  - \* Allows injured veterans and members of the Armed Services to receive Traumatic Brain Injury treatment at facilities other than military or VA hospitals.



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